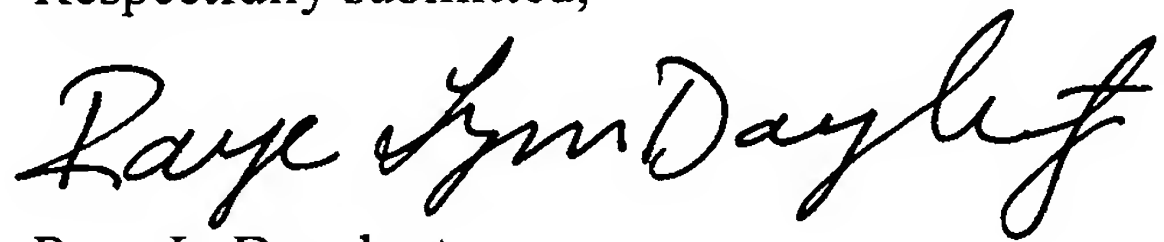


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The Examiner has indicated that the application includes the following three inventions: Claims 1-10, drawn to a method of performing a medical procedure; Claims 11-16, drawn to a method of performing a medical procedure on a vessel; and Claims 17-20, drawn to a method of harvesting a vessel. Applicants elect Claims 1-10, without traverse. Applicants have cancelled Claims 11-20. Applicants respectfully request substantive examination of pending Claims 1-10.

Respectfully submitted,

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